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SUBJ: CIVAIR: AIR SIAM - NEW STORM WARNING

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1. RETIRED BRIG. GEN HARRY ADERHOLT, FORMER COMUSMACHTAI WHO IN SEPT JOINED AIR SIAM AS VICE PRESIDENT FOR MILITARY SALES, TOLD EMBOFF NOV 3 THAT EARLIER IN DAY HE SUBMITTED HIS RESIGNATION TO AIR SIAM PRESIDENT VIRACHAI VANNUKUN. GEN. ADERHOLT SAID HE ACTED AFTER BEING INFORMED NOV 2 BY GEN KRIANGSAK CHAMANAN, DEPUTY CHIARMAN OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL, THAT THAI INTERNATIONAL AIRWAYS IS RTG'S CHOSEN INSTRUMENT IN INTERNATIONAL AVIATION AND THAT AIR SIAM WILL THEREFORE HAVE TO CEASE OPERATIONS. GEN. ADERHOLT, WHO HAS BEEN SELLING CHARTER SERVICES THROUGH AIR SIAM, IS NOW HOPING TO MAKE SIMILAR ARRANGEMENTS WITH THAI INTERNATIONAL.

2. FOREGOING, TOGETHER WITH RECENT DISMISSALS OF PRO-AIR SIAM UNDER SECRETARY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND TWO BUDGET BUREAU OFFICIALS WHO WERE MAJOR STOCKHOLDERS IN COMPANY (REFS A AND B), FURTHER HEIGHTENS OUR BELIEF THAT AIR SIAM MAY SOON GO UNDER. NONETHELESS, U.S. TECH REPS REPORT AIR SIAM IS PROCEEDING WITH PLANS TO INITIATE WEEKLY BANGKOK-COLOMBO-PARIS SERVICE UNDER AIR CEYLON LOGO NOV 6.

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